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SUBJ: BOGOTA MEETING OF FORMINS

1. THE BOGOTA PRESS ON NOV 6 CARRIED AN AP REPORT FROM WASHINGTON WHICH STATED THAT SECY KISSINGER HAS AGREED TO MEET WITH THE LA FORMINS AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO DISCUSS WAYS OF IMPROVING HEMISPHERIC COOPERATION. THE STORY ALSO INCLUDES EXCERPTS FROM THE COLOMBIAN EMB NOTE INVITING THE SECY TO BOGOTA, A SUMMARY REFERENCE TO ASSTSECY KUBISCH'S REPLY TO COLOMBIAN AMB BOTERO AND A STATUS REPORT ON THE MEETING INDICATING THAT 17 FORMINS (NOT INCLUDING THOSE OF ARGENTINA OR BRAZIL) NOW PLAN TO ATTEND.

2. LA REPUBLICA (CONSERVATIVE) IN A NOV 6 EDITORIAL, THROUGH SOME RATHER OBLIQUE REASONING ATTRIBUTES TO U S DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS THE SECY'S DECISION TO DEFER HIS MEETING WITH THE LA FORMINS.

3. EL TIEMPO CARRIED A MAJOR EDITORIAL ON NOV 6 WHICH SAID THAT THE SECY'S ABSENCE WAS UNDERSTANDABLE AND WOULD IN FACT ALLOW THE LATINS TO WORK OUT THEIR POSITIONS PRIOR TO A MEETING WITH THE U S. THE EDITORIAL EXPRESSES REGRET AT THE ABSENCE OF ARGENTINA

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AND RATHER SOBERLY POINTS OUT THE DIFFICULTIES TO BE EXPECTED

IN THE SEARCH FOR A CONTINENTAL CONSENSUS. ALSO IN EL TIEMPO
OF NOV 6 MANAGING EDITOR HERNANDO SANTOS CASTILLO ATTRIBUTES
THE SECY'S ABSENCE TO HIS PREFERENCE FOR PERSONAL RATHER THAN
GROUP DIPLOMACY, OPINES THAT KISSINGER'S ABSENCE WILL ALLOW A
FREER EXCHANGE OF LATIN VIEWS AND DRAWS THE ANALOGY OF THE CHILDREN
OF A FAMILY DISCUSSING FAMILY PROBLEMS, UNINHIBITED BY THE PRESENCE
OF THEIR FATHER. THE ESSAY EXHORTS THE LATINS TO UNITY, AS A
DEVICE TO ENABLE THEM TO BECOME THE WORLD'S REAL THIRD FORCE.
SANTOS ALSO STATES THAT THROUGH UNITY LA CAN ENTER UPON A FUTURE
THAT WILL SURMOUNT MIL COUPS, DICTATORS AND ASSORTED OTHER ILLS
TO TAKE THEIR RIGHTFUL PLACE IN THE WORLD. WHITE

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